

any people will come to abide in a fuller confidence with themselves. But he who learns to hate an inferior class will eventually practice malice on all classes. One cannot hate a dog without eventually coming to hate men. The Girondists consented with the Jacobins to the death of Louis and Marie Antoinette, and shortly afterwards Danton and Robespierre contrived the execution of Madame Roland, and the day came when Robespierre consented to the death of Danton. Such is the history of social malice, having devoured its enemies it sets to work to devour itself.

To whom should this race look for better help and more sympathetic help than to the colleges of the South? It is not the business of the college to take up the excited feelings of the street and nurse them into stronger forms of passion. The college has a higher place in the life of the nation, it has a better service to render society. The college man should be able to see things in the light of the highest laws, to see them in all their bearings, to measure them in all their relations, to study them to the furthest conclusion, and speak of them with the calmness of one who regards the truth above all other considerations, who has an unshaken faith in the truth as the sure way to perfection, who holds a mastery over rabid passions and who knows how to work at hard things till they have been finished in the right way. If the college and the college men do not mean this to the nation, then they mean nothing that is worth while, they have no righteous claim to the confidence of the nation, they should be laughed out of business. For Trinity College no friend can covet a higher record than to send forth a body of strong men who will lay their hands cool and healing on the fevered brows of agitated men, who will speak a strong and faith-making word to doubting minds, and generously give out the resources of mind and heart to those who are most in need of them.

